

Amendments to the Specification

At page 17, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 18, with the following paragraph:

The rupturable covering **232** ruptures to initiate release of the drug formulation from the reservoir. In one embodiment, the rupturable covering comprises or consists of a metal foil. The metal foil may be provided with one or more defects to facilitate rupture due to expansion of the expansion material. The defect can be made by a photolithography/etching defined pattern or by stamping a defect into the reservoir cap. The membrane/defect can be formed before or after filling the reservoir. FIG. 8A illustrates one embodiment of a metal foil **250** and how a defect stamp **252** could be directed to stamp a defect in the metal foil **250**; FIG. 8B shows the bottom end of stamp **252**; and FIG. 8C shows one embodiment of a metal foil which comprises an array of defects made therein, each of which could correspond to the ~~reservoir cap~~ rupturable covering of a single microtube.